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Cap. 9.</p> <p>He shall forfeit for every such Offence to the Use of the Poor, the respective Sums following; every Servant, Day-Labourer, common Souther, and common Seaman, One Shilling; every other Person, Two Shillings: If any Person, after Conviction, shall offend a second time, such Person shall pay Double; and if a third time, Treble the Sum respectively to be paid for the first Offence.</p> <p>Every Justice, Head-Officer, &amp;c. may Command the Constables, &amp;c. to Levy the same by Distress: And for want of Distress, the Offender, being above the Age of sixteen Years, shall be set in the Stocks, for every single Offence, one Hour; for any Number, at one and the same time, two Hours: If under sixteen Years old, and shall not pay the said Twelve-pence, he shall be whipp'd by the Constable, by Warrant of the Justice, or by the Parent or Master, in the Presence of the Constable.</p> <p>Every Justice, Willfully omitting the Performing of his Duty, shall forfeit Five Pounds, to be recovered by Action.</p> <p>The Act of the Sixth and Seventh of King WILLIAM, to be Read four times in the Year, in all Churches and Chapels, under the pain of Twenty Shillings for Neglect thereof.</p> <p>On pain of Ten Pounds, to be divided between the King and the Prosecutor, to be recovered by Action.</p> <p>Are to be Punished, being a Common Nuisance, by Indictment at Common Law by Fine and Imprisonment.</p> <p>To be Bound with Sureties to the good Behaviour, For which an Indictment will lie.</p> <p>He may take Help with him, and if he find them so, he may carry them to Prison, or to a Justice, to be Bound over and Prosecuted.</p> <p>To find sufficient Sureties for the Good Behaviour,</p> <p>To be Committed to the House of Correction.</p> <p>To be Whipp'd, and sent to the Place of Birth.</p> <p>He Forfeits Ten Shillings, to be Levied by a Warrant from Two Justices.</p> <p>Ten Shillings to be Levied, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>Twenty Shillings to be Levied, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>Five Pounds to be Levied by Distress, and Bound to the Good Behaviour by Two Justices, <i>Quorum un.</i></p> <p>Ten Pounds to be Levied by Distress and Sale, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>To be Punished as Rogues, &amp;c.</p> <p>To be sent to Bridewell, or give Security to discharge the Parish.</p> <p>Bridewell for One Year, to be sent by Two Justices, and Bound not to Offend to again.</p> <p>Forty Shillings, and Imprisonment until he become Bound by Recognizance to keep no more.</p> <p>Imprisonment until he be bound to Play no more, and to pay Six Shillings and Eight Pence, to be recovered in Quarter-Sessions.</p> <p>Imprisonment, and bound to the King to Play no more, Twenty Shillings by Indictment in Quarter-Sessions.</p>
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Such as run away, and leave their Charge upon the Parish,</p> <p>Such as threaten to run away,</p> <p>Two Witnesses,</p> <p>If any Woman shall have a Bastard Child which may be chargeable to the Parish,</p> <p><b>Gaming.</b></p> <p>Keepers of Play-Houses, and Unlawful Games,</p> <p>Upon View,</p> <p>Such as Play in such Houses,</p> <p>Upon View,</p> <p>Such as out of Christmasts shall Play at Unlawful Games any where,</p> <p>All Licenses to keep Houses or Places of Unlawful Games shall be void.</p>	<p>1 Jac. Cap. 9.</p> <p>21 Jac. Cap. 7.</p> <p>1 Jac. Cap. 4.</p> <p>21 Jac. Cap. 7.</p> <p>1 Car. Cap. 4.</p> <p>4 Jac. Cap. 5.</p> <p>21 Jac. Cap. 7.</p> <p>1 Car. Cap. 4.</p> <p>21 Jac. Cap. 7.</p> <p>Dal. Cap. 7.</p> <p>21 Jac. Cap. 20.</p> <p>3 Car. Cap. 4.</p> <p>17 Car. Cap. 4.</p> <p>6. 7. Gulst. Cap. 11.</p> <p>3 Jac. Cap. 21.</p> <p>Col. 3. Instit.</p> <p>11 Hen. 6. Cap. 1.</p> <p>1 Hen. 7. cap. 6.</p> <p>Cook 3 Instit.</p> <p>Dal. Cap. 124.</p> <p>7 Jac. Cap. 4.</p> <p>39 Eliz. 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Cap. 9.</p>	<p>Ten Shillings to be Levied by Distress and Sale, after six days; and for want of Distress, to be Committed till Payment, and Disabled for Three Years from Keeping any Ale-House, &amp;c.</p> <p>If the Constable or Church-Warden do not Levy the Penalty, or shall not Certifie the want of Distress within Twenty Days, he Forfeits Forty Shillings, to be levied by Distress and Sale, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>Ten Shillings to be Levied by Distress, and for want of Satisfaction, in six days to be Sold, restoring the Overplus; and for want of Distress, to be Committed till Payment.</p> <p>Three Shillings and Four Pence to be Levied by Distress, after one Weeks Neglect of Payment; or to fit in the Stocks four Hours.</p> <p>The Constable for his Neglect Forfeits Ten Shillings, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>Every such Taverner, which shall suffer any Person whatsoever to Tiple in his House, contrary to the said Statutes, shall be adjudged within the Statute, 1 Jac. Cap. 9.</p> <p>He shall forfeit for every such Offence to the Use of the Poor, the respective Sums following; every Servant, Day-Labourer, common Soukier, and common Seaman, One Shilling; every other Person, Two Shillings: If any Person, after Conviction, shall offend a Second time, such Person shall pay Double; and if a Third time, Treble the Sum respectively to be paid for the first Offence. Every Justice, Head-Officer, &amp;c. may Command the Constables, &amp;c. to Levy the same by Distress: And for want of Distress, the Offender, being above the Age of Sixteen Years, shall be set in the Stocks, for every single Offence, one Hour; for any Number, at one and the same time, two Hours: If under Sixteen Years old, and shall not pay the said Twelve-pence, he shall be whipp'd by the Constable, by Warrant of the Justice, or by the Parent or Master, in the Presence of the Constable. Every Justice, Wholly omitting the Performing of his Duty, shall forfeit Five Pounds, to be recovered by Action. The Act of the Sixth and Seventh of King W. 1. c. 1. A. M. to be Read four times in the Year, in all Churches and Chapels, under the pain of Twenty Shillings for Neglect thereof.</p> <p>On pain of Ten Pounds, to be divided between the King and the Prosecutor, to be recovered by Action.</p> <p>Are to be Punished, being a Common Nuisance, by Indictment at Common Law by Fine and Imprisonment.</p> <p>To be Bound with Sureties to the good Behaviour, For which an Indictment will lie.</p> <p>He may take Help with him, and if he find them not, he may carry them to Prison, or to a Justice, to be Bound over and Prosecuted.</p> <p>To find sufficient Sureties for the Good Behaviour,</p> <p>To be Committed to the House of Correction.</p> <p>To be Whipp'd, and sent to the Place of Birth.</p> <p>He Forfeits Ten Shillings, to be Levied by a Warrant from Two Justices.</p> <p>Ten Shillings to be Levied, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>Twenty Shillings to be Levied, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>Five Pounds to be Levied by Distress, and Bound to the Good Behaviour by Two Justices, <i>Quorum un.</i></p> <p>Ten Pounds to be Levied by Distress and Sale, <i>ut supra.</i></p> <p>To be Punished as Rogues, &amp;c.</p> <p>To be sent to Bridewell, or give Security to discharge the Parish.</p> <p>Bridewell for One Year, to be sent by Two Justices, and Bound not to Offend to again.</p> <p>Forty Shillings, and Imprisonment until he become Bound by Recognizance to keep no more.</p> <p>Imprisonment until he be bound to Play no more, and to pay Six Shillings and Eight Pence, to be recovered in Quarter-Sessions.</p> <p>Imprisonment, and bound to the King to Play no more, Twenty Shillings by Indictment in Quarter-Sessions.</p>
<p><b>Drunkenness.</b></p> <p>If any be Convicted for being Drunk, by One Witness, or View,</p> <p>If any Ale-House-Keeper be Convicted of Drunkenness, he is disabled for Three Years to keep any Ale-House.</p> <p>This Conviction of Drunkenness must be within Six Months after the Offence committed.</p>	<p>4 Jac. Cap. 5.</p> <p>21 Jac. Cap. 7.</p>	<p>The Offender for the first to pay Five Shillings to the Church-Wardens, where, &amp;c. within one Week after Conviction, or else to be levied by Distress and Sale; and for want of Distress, to sit in the Stocks Six Hours.</p> <p>For the second Offence, must be Bound in Ten Pounds, with Two Sureties, to the good Behaviour; and for want of Sureties, to be sent to Gaol.</p> <p>If the Constable levy not the Forfeitures, he Forfeits Ten Shillings to the Poor, <i>ut supra.</i></p>			